

**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Good  
**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Excellent

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 20. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to good. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

### RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
<b>2001</b>	Good	Excellent
<b>2002</b>		
<b>2003</b>		
<b>2004</b>		

### TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Schools With Students Like Ours		
	1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
• Passed all 3 subtests	50.8	44.9	57.1	55.1	50.7	58.6
• Passed 2 subtests	23.7	26.5	24.5	21.1	22.6	20.4
• Passed 1 subtest	13.6	12.2	12.2	14.5	15.9	12.4
• Passed no subtests	11.9	16.3	6.1	9.2	10.8	8.6

<b>ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS</b>	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships	21.6%	10.0%
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	21.6%	10.7%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	31.4%	42.8%

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

### PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Seniors			
Student Group	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2001	Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships	Graduation Rate
<b>All students</b>	92.0%	21.6%	N/A until 2003
Students with disabilities other than speech	33.3%	0.0%	
Students without disabilities	95.7%	23.9%	
<b>Gender</b>			
Male	92.3%	20.8%	
Female	91.7%	22.2%	
<b>Ethnic Group</b>			
African American	86.2%	10.3%	
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	
White	100.0%	36.4%	
Other	N/A	N/A	
<b>Lunch Status</b>			
Free/reduced-price lunch	88.5%	10.3%	
Pay for lunch	95.7%	36.4%	

### STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES

Mastering core competencies	79.5%
Completers placed	100.0%
Eligible students enrolled	37.4%

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,775	N/A	\$5,781	\$5,668
• Prime instructional time	89.9%	Down from 90.6%	88.9%	90.1%
• Student-teacher ratio	16.8 to 1	N/A	24.6 to 1	25.1 to 1
<b>STUDENTS (n=342)</b>				
• Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program Exam Success Ratio	11.1%	N/A	8.6%	40.0%
• Attendance rate	95.0%	Down from 96.0%	95.1%	95.3%
• Retention rate	9.6%	Up from 9.3%	12.2%	10.0%
<b>TEACHERS (n=26)</b>				
• Professional Development days per teacher	6.9 Days	Down from 7.1	8.2 Days	7.5 Days
• Attendance rate	96.4%	Up from 95.8%	95.6%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	38.5%	Down from 44.0%	41.9%	49.4%
• Continuing contract teachers	84.6%	Down from 88.0%	73.8%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0.0%	No change	4.0%	3.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	86.5%	Down from 89.5%	83.3%	85.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$36,890	Up 2.8%	\$36,902	\$38,125

### SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median High School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dropout rate	1.5%	Down from 1.8%	2.5%	2.9%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	64.5%	N/A	54.7%	56.4%
• Principal's years at the school	7.0	N/A	2.5	3.0
• Percent of parents attending conferences	98.2%	N/A	64.9%	60.1%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Excellent
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• Older than usual for grade	12.3%	Down from 15.0%	12.8%	10.1%
• Suspended or expelled	5	N/A	35	29
• Gifted and talented	0.0%	N/A	4.9%	7.4%
• With disabilities other than speech	14.3%	Down from 14.4%	12.4%	10.7%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	16.4%	N/A	6.7%	4.5%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	128	N/A	232	350
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	22.8%	N/A	22.8%	23.1%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

### REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL AND THE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Great things have been happening at Calhoun Falls High School and we have been celebrating our successes. Our students have excelled in academics and athletics. We have completed the requirements for accreditation by the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges. We are hoping to receive SACS accreditation in the fall of 2001. This has been a year of transition for Calhoun Falls High School. We revamped our entire schedule, returning to a traditional seven period format. The administration and staff felt that our students would profit from the continuity of meeting all their classes each day and also, students gain fifteen additional hours of instruction each year. In addition, a thirty-minute enrichment period was added to help students improve their basic skills. The success of this program has already been demonstrated with the 100% success of this year's senior class in passing the state Exit Exam. Other accomplishments include:

The average SAT score rose from 882 to 945.

Fourteen seniors were offered more than \$176,000 in scholarships.

The FFA soil judging team won the state championship in the State Soils Career Development Event.

Every athletic team participated in state playoffs with eight members of the track team winning gold medals as state champions.

Over 81% of tenth graders passed the Exit Exam.

We began using our new distance-learning lab with nineteen seniors enrolling in English 101 for college credit.

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	78.6	69.4	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	78.6	75.0	
Satisfied with home-school relations	25.0	83.7	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Calhoun Falls High  
205 Edgefield Avenue  
Calhoun Falls, South Carolina 29628

**Grades** 7-12 High School

**Enrollment:** 342 Students

### Principal

Nelson Gibson 864-447-8014

### Superintendent

Dr. Mike Campbell 864-459-5427

### Board Chair

Dr. Larry Lawson 864-446-3250



## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

**2001**

School Grade:  
Excellent



### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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